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1. On 26 May 1952, Techentin airfield near Ludwigslust (N 54/T 13) was occupied to capacity by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank, artillery, mortar or signal insignia. T-34 tanks were in the tank repair shop. one JS tank were seen on the training grounds beside the road from Ludwigslust to Dremnitz.

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2. On 26 May 1952, the Alte Reiter Kaserne and Neue Reiter Kaserne on Marstallstrasse were vacant.

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3. On 26 May, an artillery unit with five heavy artillery pieces of about 200-mm caliber was emplaced in firing position in the woods south of the Neustadt-Woebbelin (N 54/T 54) road, between Ludwigslust Kanal and the Neue Kanal. The guns fired in a northerly direction toward the area of "die Lewitz" across the Woebbelin-Neustadt road and the Dreenkroegen Forest. there were quarters near the firing position for the pertaining gun crews. Food and ammunition supplies came from the Techentin airfield.

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4. On 19 May 1952, the Alte Reiter Kaserne on Marstallstrasse quartered only a few soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. No more than 15 men were seen. There was no vehicular traffic. *

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* all installations in Ludwigslust were occupied only by guard details of the 18th Necz Div after the middle of April 1952.

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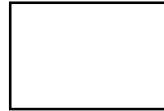
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The troops at Techentin airfield were observed in connection with motor vehicles of the 18th Mezz Div and 94th Gds Itz Rifle Div. [REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] may belong to one of these two divisions. There is no reason to believe that elements of the 18th Mezz Div returned from the Wittstock troop training grounds, where also field exercises had been conducted, to the area north of Ludwigslust during the preceding years. Rather, it is possible that components of the 94th Gds Itz Rifle Div which are not assigned a special troop training grounds have been concentrated there for field exercises and that the vehicles seen at Techentin airfield and those making the supply trips to the artillery unit belonged to the rear unit of the 18th Gds Mezz Div.

[REDACTED] an artillery unit of the 94th Gds Itz Rifle Div in the Fritsch Kaserne, Schwerin.

[REDACTED] the IX Itz Rifle Corps were also identified in Ludwigslust. The caliber of the guns emplaced in the training area was probably overestimated [REDACTED] 25X1

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